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In connection with the above-identified application, Applicant hereby attaches U.S. Patent Office Form PTOL-1449, including copies of the prior art references listed therein. These references were cited in the International Search Report of the corresponding PCT Patent application. A copy of the International Search Report is also enclosed. The claims in the present application are believed to be patentably distinguished over these references.

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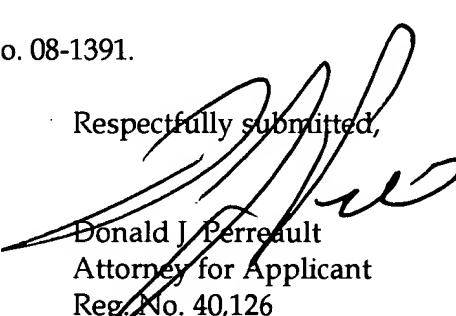
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However, no independent analysis of the references, the accuracy of the statement of the foreign examiner, or the claims of the foreign application under the laws of the country or the United States relative to the subject matter claimed in the present application has been made; the present understanding of the contents thereof by the undersigned being based on the translation of the foreign examiner's comments submitted herewith.

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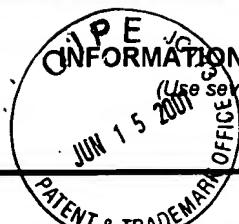
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